State of Washington

Activity Summary By Agency

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Agency: State Law Library

2001-03 Biennium Estimated Expenditures

General Fund State	<u>Other</u>	Totals	Annual FTEs

Statewide Category: Education and Cultural Development

Activity / Function: Legal Reference and Research Services

Purpose:

The State Law Library maintains a legal research library and provides legal reference service to state government and the public. The library is located in the Temple of Justice in Olympia and is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays (except for holidays). The collection currently exceeds 330,000 bound and microform volumes; on-line legal information retrieval is also available. In addition, three branch libraries are maintained at the Courts of Appeals in Seattle, Tacoma, and Spokane. The primary function of the State Law Library is to provide a legal research library for the use of state officials, staff and employees of the judicial, legislative, and executive branches of government, including all commissions, agencies and boards. Law Library reference and lending services are also provided statewide to local governments and members of the bar. The State Law Library is open to the public; legal materials may be used in the library or borrowed through local libraries on an interlibrary loan basis. The State Law Library also advises administrative bodies of county law libraries on developing and improving county law library services. State law (RCW 27.20) establishes the State Law Library as part of the judicial branch of government under the jurisdiction of the

Supreme Court.

Total Reported: 1 TOTALS \$4,011,335 \$0 \$4,011,335 15.0